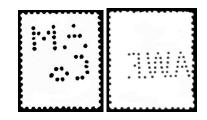
Victoria Perfins with Tasmanian Postmarks

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The majority of my legible Victoria perfins show postmarks of Melbourne. There are a few listed below in my collection which are inscribed with Tasmanian cancels.

In one of his articles, Australian collector D. W. Anderson mentions that Victoria issues are known with Tasmanian postmarks, but none are listed. In the Australian Perfins Bulletin of July 1988, there is a report that two patterns of New South Wales are found with Tasmanian postmarks. And, in the first supplement to the *Private Perfins of Australia* mention is made of New South Wales postmarks on South Australian stamps.



| Scott # | Denomination | Perfin Pattern/Cat. # | Postmark | Date |
|---------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| 201 | 6р | AM/Co (AMCO.2) | Bu(rnie)? ,Tasmania | Au ? 02 |
| 224 | 5p | AWF (AWF.2) | Lau (nces)ton, Tasmania | 4 My 07 |
| 200 | 5p | JC/&Co (JC&Co.5) | Hobart, Tasmania | Se 13 1901 |

Numbers are from the Grant, Matthews catalog, *Commercial Perfins of Australia*, but designs vary slightly from catalog illustrations in the spacing between letters.



I wonder just how much interstate use of perfinned stamps was permitted or accidentally accomplished? Perhaps some collector of Australian perfins has already provided a checklist of these items? If so, I trust that he or she will provide an article for the *PB* with further information on this subject.